



Scottish Government
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Dear Scottish Ministers,

End Deadly Salmon Farming Now in Scotland!

\$camon \$cotland urges Scottish Ministers to stop the welfare nightmare of salmon farming in Scotland as a matter of urgency. Shocking [video footage released today](#) reveals the deadly trade in Scottish salmon – shamefully certified as ‘responsible’ via RSPCA Assured and the Aquaculture Stewardship Council.

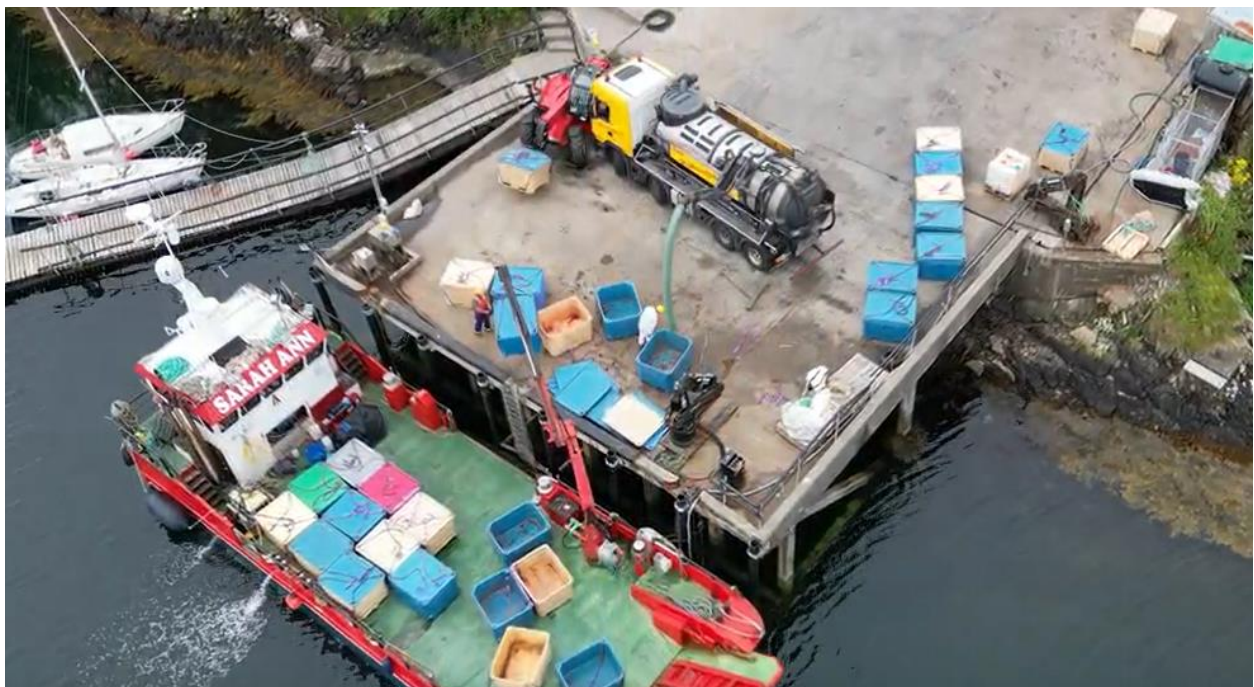


Launching the government's '[Vision for Sustainable Aquaculture](#)' at a dumping ground for disease-ridden Scottish salmon illustrates the SNP's arrogance and incompetence. The Scottish Government's strategy on salmon farming is dead in the water along with millions of lice-infested fish. The SNP should dump their misguided policy of promoting such a lethal industry and the Greens should hang their heads in shame at supporting welfare abuse rather than animal

protection. Please consign irresponsible and inherently unsustainable Scottish salmon farming to the dustbin of history.



The inconvenient truth is that salmon farming is the shame of Scotland not the pride of Scotland. Later today, Scotland's Rural Affairs Secretary Mairi Gougeon will [officially open the Scottish Pavilion at the AquaNor trade show in Norway with a VIP brunch reception tomorrow](#). Delegates visiting AquaNor should avoid the Scottish Pavilion like the proverbial plague. Salmon farming in Scotland is now the worst in the world with mass mortalities, infectious diseases and welfare abuse reaching epidemic levels. 2023 may well be the year that killed off Scottish salmon farming.



Yet Scottish Ministers keep giving factory salmon farms the thumbs up and keep turning a blind eye to the lethal salmon farming sector.



If the Scottish Government is serious about protecting animal welfare and the environment then it must cease support for the ethically and ecologically bankrupt salmon farming industry. The cessation of factory salmon farming can save the lives of tens of millions of fish each year.

Video Nasty: RSPCA Assured & ASC-certified mass mortalities off-loaded by Mowi (with commentary)

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Mairi Gougeon SNP
21st July 2023

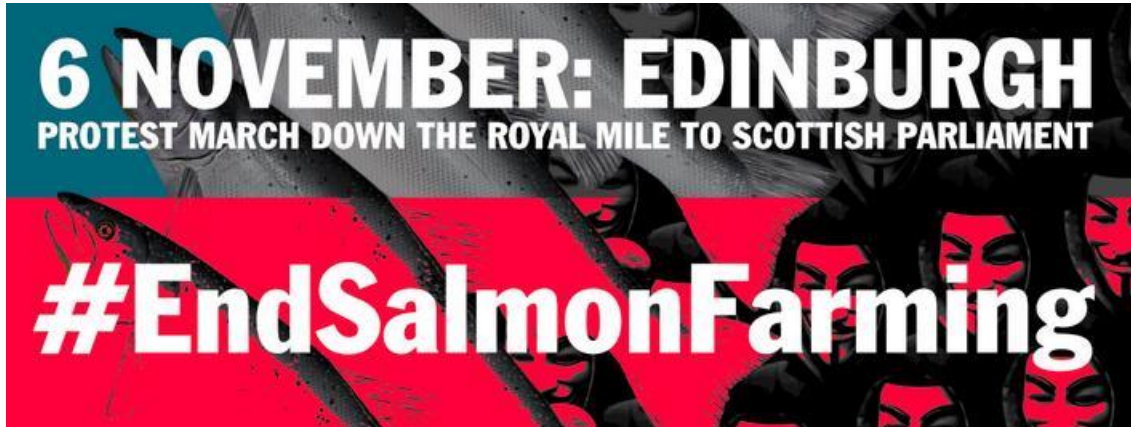
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The image is a screenshot of a video player. It features a woman in a red life vest standing in front of a body of water with fish farming cages. The video title and metadata are displayed at the top and bottom. The video player interface includes a play button, a progress bar, and a volume icon.

If Scottish Ministers wish to meet to discuss the ongoing problems of salmon farms across Scotland please note that [on 6 November 2023 there will be a protest march down the Royal Mile to the Scottish Parliament](#). \$camon \$cotland would be only too happy to brief you in person on the video nasty that is Scottish salmon.



If you want to set up a meeting please do not hesitate to contact me on 07771 541826 and via salmonfarmingkills@gmail.com

Yours sincerely,

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